

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER  
MARCH 8, 2016**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member Nancy Eckerle	Present

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Jeffrey Theising, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. All three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 23, 2016. Thereafter, a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

**CLAIMS.** The claims against the City from February 5, 2016 to March 3, 2016 were presented to and examined by the board. A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

**GIRLS ON THE RUN 5K**

Audrey Werner, representing Girls on the Run serving Dubois County, asked permission to use the City sidewalk along Portersville Road and part of Ackerman Road for part of the route for the Girls on the Run Celebratory 5K on Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 8:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. The event starts at

9:00 a.m. on the track at the Jasper Middle School and proceeds to the circle drive on the south side of the school, then turn left onto the sidewalk along Portersville Road, then north on the sidewalk along Portersville Road to Ackerman Road, then turn west onto Ackerman Road and proceed approximately one-half mile, then turn around and follow the same route back to the JMS track.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to give Girls on the Run permission for the City portion of the route for the Girls on the Run Celebratory 5K on Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 8:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

### **HEARTLAND KIDS FUN RUN AND FESTIVAL**

Sarah Leonard, representing Girls on the Run serving Dubois County, asked permission to use Dave Buehler Plaza, the river walk and certain City streets for the Heartland Kids Fun Run and Festival on Friday, September 2, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The fun run begins in the parking lot of Dave Buehler Plaza and proceeds to 4<sup>th</sup> Street, then right on Anderson, then left onto 6<sup>th</sup> Street and proceed west to the Courthouse Square, then travel clockwise around the Square to east 6<sup>th</sup> Street and travel on 6<sup>th</sup> Street to the river walk and proceed south on the river walk to the finish line at the east entrance of the plaza. Leonard said they will need to close the Square from 5:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. She said they obtained signatures from certain downtown merchants supporting the route downtown.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to permit the Heartland Kids Fun Run and Festival event with the proposed 2016 route on September 2, 2016 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

### **USE TRAIN DEPOT**

Rhonda Uebelhor asked permission to use the train depot on Saturday, March 12, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. for an event called Pruvit. The event is open to the public and runs from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the request. Motion carried 3-0.

### **STREET CLOSURE**

City Engineer Chad Hurm asked permission to close 7<sup>th</sup> Street between Main and Newton Streets when the underground storage tanks located on the north east corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Newton Streets are removed. There was some discussion about leaving room for accessing the German American Bank parking lots located on the north side and on the south side of 7<sup>th</sup> Street, east of Newton Street.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to close 7<sup>th</sup> Street near 7<sup>th</sup> and Newton Streets for a day contingent upon the contractor works with German American Bank regarding access to the parking lots on the north side and on the south side of 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion carried 3-0.

## **STREET CLOSURE**

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the Storm Water Management Board advertised for bids for the Golden Acres Phase II storm sewer project. Hurm asked permission to close Redbud Lane West from south of Maple Leaf Drive to 4<sup>th</sup> Street as needed when working on the storm sewer in that area.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Mayor Seitz to approve the street closing as needed during the Golden Acres Phase II project. Motion carried 3-0.

## **REPORTS**

City Engineer Chad Hurm reported that the Storm Water Management Board will open bids for the University Drive storm sewer project in April. He will schedule a meeting with the neighbors in that area to explain the details of the project.

Hurm also reported that every Tuesday he has a teleconference with Smithville regarding the installation of fiber within the City.

Street Commissioner Jeffrey Theising gave a report on the status of the City's road salt supply.

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang gave a report on Sunday morning's fire at a house located on W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street.

## **JUNK ASSETS**

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang asked permission to junk asset #102055, a 2006 EF Johnson radio that is no longer operable and junk asset #101874, a 2007 VP voice pager that cannot be repaired.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to junk asset # 102055 and asset # 101874. Motion carried 3-0.

## **FDIC 2016 CONFERENCE**

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang asked permission to send four volunteer firefighters to the Fire Department Instructors Conference in Indianapolis on April 21 and 22, 2016.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to send four firefighters to the Fire Department Instructors Conference on April 21 and 22, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.

## **VEHICLE EQUIPMENT QUOTES**

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett presented the following quotes for equipment for the two new 2016 Dodge Charger police vehicles.

\$7962.00 On-Duty Depot  
\$6940.83 ERS  
\$6621.00 Advanced Radio Communications

Bennett recommended accepting the low quote that was submitted by Advanced Radio Communications for \$6621.00.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to accept the low quote. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **CAD SYSTEM UPGRADE**

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett presented a quote from Eck-Mundy Associates for \$14,804.98 for an upgrade to the CAD system for the dispatch system. Bennett said the State requires all Interact users to make this upgrade to the CAD server. He only obtained a quote from Eck-Mundy because this company has been involved with the Interact system since its inception.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the quote from Eck-Mundy Associates for \$14,804.98. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **POLICE VEHICLE QUOTES**

City Attorney Renee Kabrick opened the following quotes for a new police vehicle less the trade in of a 2004 Crown Vic and a 2004 Ford Explorer.

Sternberg Chrysler  
\$25,641.00 2016 Dodge Charger Police  
7,500.00 less trade ins  
\$18,141.00 net quote

Washington Chrysler  
\$25,344.00 Dodge Charger Pursuit  
7,500.00 less trade ins  
\$17,844.00 net quote

John Jones Auto Group  
\$26,249.00 Dodge Charger PPV  
6,500.00 less trade ins  
\$19,749.00 net quote

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett recommended taking the quotes under advisement to review for specifications and award to the low quote.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the low quote submitted by Washington Chrysler pending it meets the specifications. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_ with X without corrections or clarification this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016.

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**Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer**